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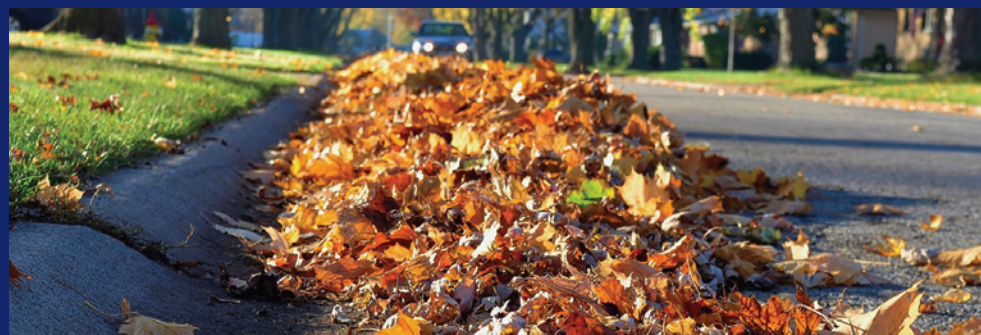
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The Kannapolis Police Department welcomes five new police officers: Jonathan Lambert, Matthew Honeycutt, Colby Richardson, Nicholas Lollis and Sam Small, Jr. They have completed their basic law enforcement training (BLET) and will now be assigned to patrol units to complete their field training.

LOOSE LEAF COLLECTION BEGINS

Loose leaf collection begins October 19 and ends March 5. After March 5, we request that you bag any loose leaves you have and place them at the curb for Yard Waste collection.



Loose Leaf Collection Dos & Don'ts:

- Leaves must be placed at the curb or along the ditch line – not in ditches – in rows parallel with the street.
- Place leaves at the curb by 7 a.m. on the day of collection.
- Leaves mixed with limbs, other yard waste, gum balls, gravel, glass or other solid matter will not be collected.
- Leaves in garbage containers will not be collected.
- Leaves must be clear of water meters and fences and placed on the street side of retaining walls.
- Leaves must be clear of sidewalks/street.

To find your loose leaf collection schedule, visit kannapolisnc.gov/looseleaf, or download the free CARTology app in Apple and Google Play stores.

OCTOBER 2020

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PEDESTRIAN SAFETY INITIATIVES IMPLEMENTED IN DOWNTOWN KANNAPOLIS

The speed limit on 15 streets in downtown Kannapolis has been lowered from 25 mph to 20 mph. This is part of an ongoing initiative to protect the safety of pedestrians as downtown becomes more active with foot and vehicle traffic.

Other steps that will be implemented to improve pedestrian safety include installation of crosswalks, new speed limit and crosswalk signage, and removal of tall shrubs in some areas to improve line of sight for pedestrians and motorists.

The speed limit is now 20 mph on the following streets, effective immediately: Biotechnology Lane, Laureate Way, Watson Crick Drive, Research Campus Drive, West Avenue, Vance Avenue, Oak Avenue, Cannon Baller Way, Chestnut Drive, Wellness Way, John Snow, Charles Babbage Lane, Cabarrus, D Street and West A Street.



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COVID-19 TESTING

Cabarrus and Rowan counties have COVID-19 testing sites scheduled for the month of October. Anyone experiencing fever, cough and shortness of breath should consider getting tested. Find testing locations, dates and times at www.kannapolisnc.gov/covid19.

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TERRY SPRY NAMED CHIEF OF POLICE



Terry Spry has been named Chief of Police of the Kannapolis Police Department. He will lead a department that is one of only 6% percent of law enforcement agencies nationwide accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). The department has 106 officers and staff.

Chief Spry was appointed interim chief in December 2019 when former Police Chief Woody Chavis retired. Kannapolis City Manager Mike Legg led a search for the chief's position that included input from many different people in the community who represented the City's diverse neighborhoods, non-profits, businesses, educational institutions and more.

Chief Spry joined the Kannapolis Police

Department in 1994. He has worked in all areas of the department, including as a patrol officer, traffic officer, criminal investigator and patrol supervisor. He was promoted to Sergeant in 2004, Lieutenant in 2010 and Captain in 2015.

Chief Spry has received several honors, including the South Rowan Optimist Club Officer of the Year, Co-Recipient of the Mothers Against Drunk Driving Officer of the Year, the Roger Dale Carter Memorial Award, Royal Oaks Optimist Club Officer of the Year and a Felony Investigations Unit Commendation.

He is a graduate of South Rowan High School, attended Pfeiffer College and earned an Associate in Applied Science in Criminal Justice Technology from Rowan Cabarrus Community College. He also holds an Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate from the N.C. Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission.

He is married to Meredith and they have one son, Kaleb. They attend Connect Christian Church. Terry is only the 12th person to serve as Chief of Police in the 114-year history of the City of, and only the third since the City's incorporation in 1984.

ENVIRONMENTAL TIP

Check the stormwater drains in your neighborhood. Help us keep water flowing properly by cleaning them out if you see any stopped up with debris, which helps prevent flooding.



FREE DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT ON OCTOBER 17



On Saturday, October 17, from 9 a.m. until noon, the Kannapolis Transportation and Environmental Services Department will host a free document shredding event at the Public Works Operation Center at 1401 Bethpage Road.

This event is for Kannapolis residents only. Document shredding is limited to five file boxes per person, which is the equivalent of two 40-gallon trash bags.

We ask that you maintain social distance and wear a mask while dropping off your documents. To help maintain social distance, residents are encouraged to place documents in the trunk so that staff can easily load the documents into the Shred It truck.

For more information, call Transportation and Environmental Services at 704-920-4200.

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Please remember, pedestrians at crosswalks always have the right of way. When entering a roundabout, cars and cyclists must yield to cars and cyclists already in the roundabout.

Kannapolis Police Officers will educate pedestrians and motorists who violate the speed limit and/or who jaywalk versus using designated crosswalks as part of the new safety initiative. Citations will be issued when appropriate.

RUN KANNAPOLIS SERIES CANCELLED FOR 2020

The Run Kannapolis Fall/Winter series is cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. Four runs were scheduled for later this year. They were the Hole In Run, Strides for Stroke 5K/10K, the Duke Dash and the Frostbite. Participants who have paid in advance will receive refunds.

OCT. IS FIRE PREVENTION MONTH

Fire Prevention Month takes place in October. This year's theme is *Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen*. Here are some things to remember when cooking in the kitchen:



- Stand by your pan! – Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, boiling or broiling food. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of kitchen fires.
- Three feet from the heat! – Create a "Safety Zone!" Keep children and pets at least three feet away from cooking appliances while they are in use.
- Move that alarm! – Smoke alarms in the kitchen are often activated by overcooked food and when this happens, many residents tamper with alarms. If this happens to you, consider relocating the alarm outside of the kitchen to prevent these types of "nuisance" activations.

Each year thousands of people participate in the Run Kannapolis Series, hosted by the City of Kannapolis, Atrium Health Cabarrus and various non-profits in Cabarrus County.

Runners who would like to still enter an event are welcome to enter the Rotary 5K Virtual Race. Run a 5K virtually anywhere, earn a medal and all proceeds will benefit

the Kannapolis Rotary Club. To register, visit runkannapolis.com.

The Run Kannapolis Series is expected to return in 2021 – if COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.

If you have any questions, contact Laura Evans, Kannapolis Parks and Recreation, at levans@kannapolisnc.gov or 704-920-4346.

